

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

Thank you to all at St. John Kanty who donated during Lent. Please remember the Food Pantry through the year. Needed are peanut butter, canned soups, canned tuna and anything you would like to donate. Any questions, call Phyllis Austin at (219) 778-2672. Thank you.



Ryan Pierce

PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS - RYAN PIERCE

O Lord of the harvest, send laborers into your vineyard. Pour your blessings on Ryan Pierce. Keep him faithful to your Holy Will.

Mary, Our Mother, protect Ryan Pierce and all of our priests and seminarians. Thank you for hearing our prayers. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please be aware that both St. John Kanty and St. Anthony have set aside special times for private Eucharistic Adoration of Our Lord. At St. John Kanty the Holy Eucharist is exposed on the altar each Sunday, following the 9:30 am Mass until 12:00 noon. At St. Anthony adoration follows the 8:00 am Mass until 9:30 am each Friday. Use these opportunities if you can to deepen your prayer life and your relationship with Our Lord by quietly spending this time with Eucharistic Christ. Incredible graces flow into the souls of those who regularly come into the penetrating presence of the Risen Christ.

THE BROWN SCAPULAR

Our Blessed Mother presented this sacred garment to St. Simon Stock on July 16, 1251 as a gift to the Carmelite Order. She said, "Whosoever dies clothed in this shall never suffer eternal fire...It is my garment. To be clothed in it means you are continually thinking of me and I in return am always thinking of you and helping you to secure eternal life."

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Underlying Peter’s simple statement in today’s Gospel, “I am going fishing,” is an ocean of sadness. This leader of the Apostles was once so eager and self-assured that he declared to Jesus, “Even though I should have to die with you, I will not deny you.” (Mt 26:35) But we know the story: At the decisive moment, Peter yielded under pressure and three times denied that he even knew Jesus. Now, after witnessing his Master’s arrest and execution, Peter, whom Jesus called to leave his nets to be a fisher of men (see Mt 4:19), returns to his old profession. And even there he sustains another failure: he can’t catch any fish! Swimming to shore, the ever-impulsive Apostle discovers that Jesus had already procured fish for breakfast without his help. Imagine Peter’s consternation: my vocation as an Apostle, my career as a fisherman, my professed willingness to die for the Lord – everything I thought I could hang my hat on – were pretense and illusion.

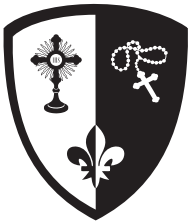
GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In our relationship with God, we are at times beset by the reality of our own weaknesses and apparent failures. But for Peter as for us, despondency does not have to have the final word. In one of the most intimate exchanges in the Gospels, Jesus heals Peter’s self-inflicted wound. “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” the Lord asks three times. What Jesus desires from the Apostle is not eloquent declarations of courage; he wants Peter’s love; he wants his heart: conscious of its frailty and humble enough to be led where it does not want to go. Neither Peter’s day job nor his grandiose spiritual aspirations are useful to the Lord if Peter has not first surrendered himself to God. This is because only a heart which belongs to God and draws its strength from him can bear fruit for the kingdom of heaven. Such is likewise true for

us, often so anxious about tomorrow or preoccupied with our attempts to “earn” God’s love. Our primary responsibility, without which none of our other labors will be fruitful, is to give our hearts completely to him.

PRAY

Repetition is the mother of learning. Three times, Jesus asked Peter to renew his love – perhaps, in part, to convince Peter! This week, offer your heart to God as soon as you get up in the morning. You could even use Peter’s words: “Lord, you know that I love you.” By making this a habit, you invite God’s grace and strength to make each day’s actions fruitful.



ST. JOHN KANTY & ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
CATHOLIC CHURCHES

St. John Kanty - 7012 N 600 E, Rolling Prairie, IN 46371

St. Anthony of Padua - 7732 E State Road 4, Walkerton, IN 46574

MASS TIMES

St. John Kanty
Tue & Thur 8:30 am
Saturday Evening 4:00 pm
Sunday Morning 9:30 am

St. Anthony
Mon, Wed, Fri 8:00 am
Saturday Evening 6:00 pm
Sunday Morning 8:00 am

CONFESSION

St. John Kanty
Saturday Afternoon 3:30 pm
Sunday Morning 10:30 am

St. Anthony
Saturday Evening 5:30 pm

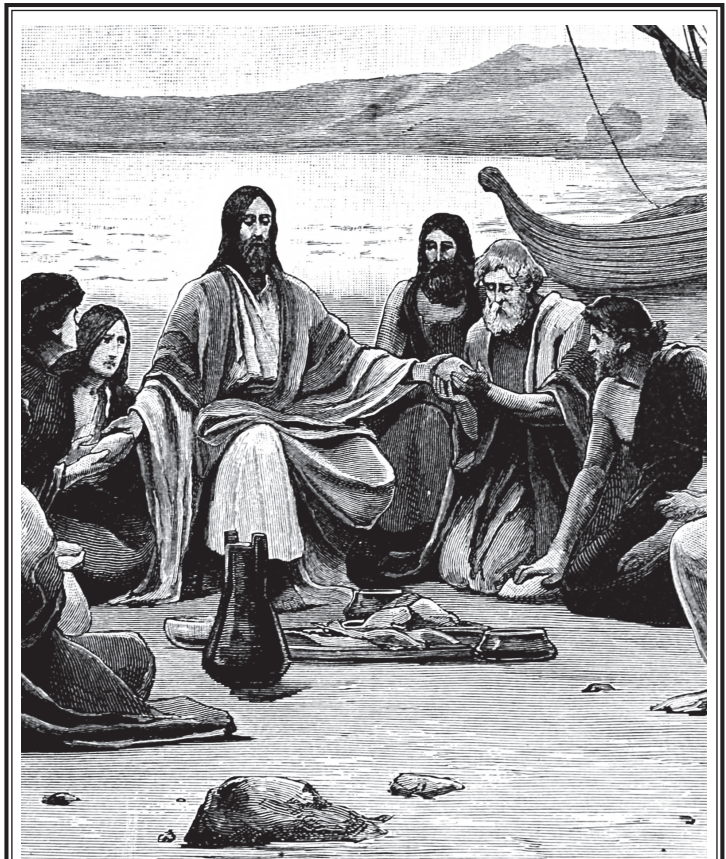
Confessions available anytime by request

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Jesus took the bread and gave it to the disciples.

3rd Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2025

May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 3

(St J) 4:00 pm Charles Geitz

by Pat Geitz

(St A) 6:00 pm Brad Boilini

by Boilini Family

Sunday, May 4

(St A) 8:00 am Allen Chlupacek

by Family

(St J) 9:30 am Ivan Truyaert

by Gamble Family

Monday, May 5

(St A) 8:00 am St. Anthony of Padua & St. John Kanty Families of God

Tuesday, May 6

(St J) 8:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the St. John Kanty Holy Name Society

Wednesday, May 7

(St A) 8:00 am Dave & Phyllis Logan

by Ron & Shirley Richie

Thursday, May 8

(St J) 8:30 am Special Intention

by Donor

Friday, May 9

(St A) 8:00 am Brian Barker

by Andy & Emily Chlupacek

Saturday, May 10

(St J) 4:00 pm Antonette Wozny

by Diane Richardson

(St A) 6:00 pm Elizabeth Bordak

by Susan Grillo

Sunday, May 11

(St A) 8:00 am John F. Spence

by Ron & Shirley Richie

(St J) 9:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Sodality

MASS DATES AVAILABLE

The most powerful gift you can give is to have a Mass offered for someone. If you would like to have Mass said for relatives or friends who have passed away or for personal intentions a large number of dates are available both now and in the foreseeable future. Drop your intention(s) in an envelope marked MASS, with the requested date(s) in the collection basket. In most cases the date that you requested is usually available, if not, the next available date will be scheduled. The usual stipend for a Mass in the Diocese of Gary is \$10.

HOMESCHOOLERS

Catholic homeschoolers will meet at St. John Kanty on Tuesday, May 6th for Mass and confessions at 8:30 am in the church and then for food, friendship, and play at the Parish Hall. All who homeschool or are considering it are welcome to attend. The first Tuesday of each month is set aside for parents and children to gather together for sacraments and social interchange.

ALTAR & ROSARY MEETING MAY 13TH

The St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Sodality will have their monthly meeting following the 8:30 am Mass on Tuesday, May 13th. All members are invited to attend the meeting.

CHANGE OF DATE FOR MONTHLY POTLUCK

Normally our bi-parish potluck occurs on the second Sunday of each month. However, because Mother's Day will be on that same day, our potluck will be moved to Sunday May 18th at 12:30 pm. Bring yourself, your family and a covered dish to St. John Kanty Parish Hall and enjoy an afternoon of good food and great company,

CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL

Our annual diocesan fund drive has begun. Parishioners should have already received an offering envelope mailed to them from the Diocese of Gary. Please return your donation directly to the Diocese and not to the parish. If you have not received an envelope from the Diocese, one will be available at the church entrances. In that case, place it in the Sunday collection and the parish will sent it to the diocese processing center. This year's assigned goal for St. John Kanty is \$9,223 and the assigned goal for St. Anthony is \$5,578.

ST. JOHN KANTY PRAYER LINE

Please reach out to our St. John Kanty prayer ministry if you or someone you know can benefit from divine assistance. Just provide the name of the person or persons and the prayer intention. All requests are confidential. St. John Kanty Prayer Line contact is: Rose Schoenfeld. Call or text 219-575-2050.

ST. ANTHONY PRAYER LINE

If you or someone you know needs prayer, St. Anthony of Padua at Fish Lake has a ministry from which parishioners will pray for you. Please provide the name of the person or persons, and the prayer intention. These requests are confidential. Prayers will then be offered daily by our prayer warriors. Contacts are: Phyllis Schoof 219-369-9582 or Susan Grillo 219-369-1159.

ST ANTHONY FOOD COLLECTION

St Anthony Parish has long been collecting food for the needy. Bring your donations anytime you come to Mass. Any items left in the back of church will be removed to the parish hall following Mass. If possible, however, it would be helpful if they could be brought directly to the parish hall. Just place them on one of the tables near the entrance to the kitchen. Whatever you can spare toward the ministry of feeding the hungry is much appreciated.